UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:)
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(MARKET DISRUPTION) CERTAIN STEEL) Investigation No.
WIRE GARMENT HANGERS FROM CHINA) TA-421-2
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Room 101 U.S. International Trade Commission 500 E Street, SW Washington, D.C.

The commission meeting commenced pursuant to

Notice, at 11:00 a.m., before the Commissioners of the

United States International Trade Commission, DEANNA TANNER

OKUN, Chairman, presiding.

APPEARANCES:

On behalf of the International Trade Commission:

ITC Commissioners:

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1	<u>PROCEEDINGS</u>
2	(11:00 a.m.)
3	CHAIRMAN OKUN: Good morning and welcome to this
4	meeting of the U.S. International Trade Commission. Good
5	morning, Madam Secretary.
6	MS. ABBOTT: Good morning, Madam Chairman.
7	CHAIRMAN OKUN: I understand there is no agenda
8	for future meetings, nor are there any outstanding action
9	jackets to consider. Is there any objection to approval of
10	the minutes of January 6, 9, 14, and 22, 2003?
11	(No response.)
12	CHAIRMAN OKUN: Hearing none, they are approved.
13	Is there any objection to Ratification List 03-002?
14	(No response.)
15	CHAIRMAN OKUN: Hearing none, it is approved.
16	Madam Secretary, we will now turn to Investigation
17	Number TA-421-2 (Market Disruption) Certain Steel Wire
18	Garment Hangers from China. Good morning to Mr. McClure and
19	the other staff who participated in this investigation.
20	Does any commissioner have questions for the
21	staff?
22	(No response.)
23	CHAIRMAN OKUN: Are there any additions or
24	corrections to the staff report?
25	MR. McCLURE: Madam Chairman, there is one
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- 1 revision to the staff report, as contained in Office of
- 2 Investigations Memorandum AA-006, dated January 24, 2003.
- 3 CHAIRMAN OKUN: Thank you. Is there any objection
- 4 to approval of the staff report as revised?
- 5 (No response.)
- 6 CHAIRMAN OKUN: Hearing none, it is approved.
- 7 Madam Secretary, before you call the roll, I want to just
- 8 make a short statement to thank the staff very much. As you
- 9 know, in drafting Section 421, Congress established a tight
- 10 schedule. The Commission has only 60 days from the date
- 11 that a petition is filed to the date of the market
- 12 disruption vote. In between, the staff must send out
- 13 questionnaires, compile data, prepare for a Commission
- 14 hearing, finalize the staff report, and assist the
- 15 Commission with last-minute requests, of which there were
- several. The staff's efforts were all the more complicated
- in this investigation because we could not rely upon the
- 18 Commerce import data. Instead, staff had to make sure we
- 19 had adequate questionnaire coverage to calculate these
- 20 figures. As such, I want to thank the staff for the
- 21 excellent work they have done on behalf of the Commission in
- this investigation.
- 23 Madam Secretary, will you please call the roll?
- MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Okun?
- 25 CHAIRMAN OKUN: I vote in the affirmative.

1	MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Miller?
2	COMMISSIONER MILLER: I also vote in the
3	affirmative.
4	MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Koplan?
5	COMMISSIONER KOPLAN: I vote in the affirmative.
6	MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Bragg?
7	COMMISSIONER BRAGG: I vote in the affirmative.
8	MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Hillman?
9	VICE CHAIRMAN HILLMAN: I vote in the affirmative.
10	MS. ABBOTT: Madam Chairman, the Commission has
11	reached an affirmative determination in this investigation.
12	CHAIRMAN OKUN: Thank you, Madam Secretary. The
13	Commission is currently scheduled transmit its determination
14	on market disruption to the president and the United States
15	trade representative on January 27, 2003. Parties are
16	reminded that they may submit final comments concerning
17	remedy on Wednesday, January 29, 2003.
18	I want to once again thank staff for their
19	participation. With that, this meeting is adjourned.
20	(Whereupon, at 11:04 a.m., the Commission meeting
21	was adjourned.)
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CERTIFICATION OF TRANSCRIPTION

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China

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